

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace each of the paragraphs referenced below by page and line number(s) with the text following the reference to the page and line number(s) of the paragraph.

Page 1, lines 4-7:

Although the invention is not limited to application in a forwards trading system, or an electricity forwards trading system, the preferred application is in an electricity forwards trading system, e.g., the a BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH® System system (BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH is a registered trademark of Bloomberg L.P.)~~owned by Bloomberg L.P.~~ Similarly while the invention is not limited to an anonymous trading system, the preferred application is to an anonymous trading system, e.g., the Bloomberg PowerMatchSM BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH® System system, where the identity of the parties negotiating a trade is anonymous up to the time that the trade is made.

At page 18, lines 10-14:

- EFMP The is a setup function, which is used to maintain region, firm, user and enablement databases. This function can also be used to broadcast a message to all traders. The EFMP functions are performed by execution screen event handlers (AEBIG) 66 (Figs. 2 and 3) preferably implemented as software routines and processes 72 (Fig. 2) within the PowerMatchSM host computer 26.

At pag 18, lines 14-16:

The PowerMatchSM host computer 26 manages and supports the following databases (Fig. 2).

At page 74, lines 2-24:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A trading system and method for trading forwards among a plurality of parties is presented. ~~The system and method include a plurality of user stations, at least one user station for each of the parties, and a central computer coupled in a communications network. The central computer processes trading orders between the parties.~~ Among the features that the ~~The system implements~~ are the following features: counterparty enablement by forward term and/or region; ~~flashing information relating to trades that is displayed on user station in different colors depending upon the source of the information; a sliding ticker display on each monitor for displaying a change in a market best price (bid/offer) of a security or a notification that a trade occurred; a selectable area on the monitor for incrementing or decrementing a selected bid or offer value; a user selectable area on the monitor for executing again a trade that was just executed; a sweep trading feature for permitting a trader to sequentially aggress on a series of orders in the same forward; a spread-trading feature for allowing traders to directly trade on the difference between bid prices and offer prices for corresponding orders on a primary and secondary leg/link; providing a feature for joining orders wherein a trader may add a new bid or offer that has the same terms (e.g., price and quantity) of a perceived market best bid or offer; enabling a user to temporarily suspend~~

~~all of the user's orders without deleting the orders and to reactivate the orders without re-entering data pertaining thereto; enabling a party to make multiple bids and offers for the same forward within the same term at varying pricing; to maintain anonymity of the parties, disabling an entire firm from trading for a set period of time after a counterparty enablement setting is changed by a user in that firm.~~

Additional Proposed Amendments

The following proposed changes relate to usage in the application of the registered trademark "BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH®." Since these proposed changes involve changes to one or two words, or deletions, it is requested that the requirement of repeating an entire paragraph in which a change is made be waived. Please make the following additional changes to the specification.

At page 6, line 7: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH®--.

At page 15, lines 1, 3 and 4: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH®--.

At page 17, lines 7-8: change "Bloomberg PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH®--.

At page 17, line 8: delete ", also referred to herein simply as a PowerMatchSM system 40".

At page 17, line 9: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH®--.

At page 17, line 10: change "PowerMatchSM" (first occurrence) to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH®-- .

At page 17, lines 10-11: delete "(PowermatchSM host computer)".

At page 19, lines 1 and 13: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH®--

At page 20, lines 11, 12, 15, 19 and 20 (first occurrence): change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH®--

At page 20, line 20: delete "PowerMatchSM"(second occurrence).

At page 21, lines 4 and 13 (second occurrence): delete "PowerMatchSM".

At page 21, lines 5 and 13(first occurrence): change "PowerMatchSM" to --

BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH[®]--

At page 23, line 19: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH[®]--

At page 25, line 6: delete "PowerMatchSM".

At page 28, line 15: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH[®]--.

At page 30, line 21: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH[®]--.

At page 35, line 13: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH[®]--.

At page 36, line 2: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH[®]--.

At page 37, line 23: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG POWERMATCH[®]--.

At page 38, lines 3 and 4: delete "PowerMatchSM".

At page 52, lines 2, 8, 15 and 19: change "PowerMatchSM" to -- BLOOMBERG

POWERMATCH[®]--.